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SUBJECT: PERMREPS LUNCHEON, APRIL 19, 1977

SUMMARY: AT THEIR REGULAR LUNCHEON ON APRIL 19,
NATO PERMREPS DISCUSSED THE FOLLOWING:

1. NATO SUMMIT.
2. DPC MINISTERIAL.
3. CSCE AND IS DRAFT REPORT ON BELGRADE.
4. EXERCISE WINTEX-CIMEX 1979.
5. RHODESIA.
6. FOLLOW-UP TO SYG LUNS' NATO AEW PROPOSAL.

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7. SPAIN AND DENMARK
8. EXERCISE SHAPEX-77 AND DAWN PATROL
END SUMMARY.

1. NATO SUMMIT. REPORTED SEPTEL.
2. DPC MINISTERIAL. PERMREPS DISCUSSED THE US
SUGGESTION TO HOLD A RESTRICTED SESSION AT THE
BEGINNING OF THE DPC MINISTERIAL. PANSA (ACTING SYG)
SAID THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL FULLY SUPPORTED

HOLDING THE RESTRICTED SESSION AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DPC MINISTERIAL FOLLOWING THE STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE. AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT TO THIS PROPOSITION, ALTHOUGH CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED THAT IF THE RESTRICTED SESSION LASTED TOO LONG IT COULD CUT INTO OTHER IMPORTANT PARTS OF THE AGENDA. PANSA DISCOUNTED THIS POSSIBILITY, SAYING THAT HE THOUGHT THIS PROBLEM WOULD BE MANAGEABLE. KILLICK (UK), WHO HAD EARLIER EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS, TO US SEEMED PREPARED TO ACCEPT THIS CONSENSUS.

PANSA INFORMED THE PERMREPS OF HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT SECRETARY BROWN INTENDED TO FOLLOW UP IN THE DPC ON THE PRESIDENT'S SUGGESTIONS AT THE SUMMIT, FLESHING THEM OUT IN GREATER DETAIL DURING THE RESTRICTED SESSION HE SAID THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL ASKED HIM TO EMPHASIZE TO THE PERMREPS THAT DURING HIS VISIT TO WASHINGTON HE HAD FOUND A GREAT SENSE OF SUPPORT FOR THE ALLIANCE. HOWEVER, THIS AMERICAN DECISION TO INCREASE ITS SUPPORT TO THE ALLIANCE WAS LINKED TO AN ADEQUATE ALLIED RESPONSE. LUNS WAS AFRAID THAT IF THE ALLIES DID NOT ADEQUATELY RESPOND TO WASHINGTON'S INITIATIVES THE MOMENTUM
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WHICH HAD BEEN BUILT UP FOR NATO DEFENSE IMPROVEMENTS WOULD BE DIVERTED AND WASHINGTON MIGHT LOSE INTEREST.

3. CSCE AND IS DRAFT REPORT ON BELGRADE. KILLICK EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT THE DATE FOR (P)PROVAL OF THE IS REPORT ON PREPARATIONS FOR BELGRADE (C-M(77)29) SHOULD BE EXTENDED BEYOND THE NAC MEETING ON APRIL 20. BOSS (FRG) SAID THAT HIS AUTHORITIES WERE NOT NOW PREPARED TO APPROVE THE DOCUMENT. CHARGE, DRAWING ON STATE 87354, SAID THAT HIS AUTHORITIES COULD NOT AGREE TO THE IS PAPER UNTIL THE BASIC ISSUE OF HOW TO HANDLE A CUT-OFF DATE FOR THE BELGRADE MEETING WAS SATISFACTORILY RESOLVED IN THE PAPER.

4. EXERCISE WINTEX-CIMEX 1979. PANSA REPORTED ON A LETTER WHICH THE SECRETARY GENERAL HAD RECEIVED FROM GENERAL HAIG CONCERNING THE HANDLING OF FUTURE NATO EXERCISES. NOTING THE PROBLEM OF INSUFFICIENT NATO IS PERSONNEL TO PREPARE FOR NATO EXERCISES, GENERAL HAIG SUGGESTED THAT IT MIGHT BE ADVISABLE TO SKIP HILEX-78 AND TO COMBINE IT WITH THE PROPOSED

WINTEX-CIMEX IN 1979, THUS CANCELLING ANY NATO EXERCISES NEXT YEAR. PANSAL COMMENTED THAT SIR PETER HILL-NORTON (OUTGOING CHAIRMAN, MILITARY COMMITTEE) HAD WRITTEN TO THE SYG RECOMMENDING THAT THE EXERCISE SCHEDULE FOR 1978 NOT BE CANCELLED. PANSAL SAID THAT HE WAS PROPOSING TO PUT THIS MATTER ON THE AGENDA OF THE APRIL 22 DPC MEETING, SINCE GENERAL HAIG

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INDICATED HE WAS UNDER PRESSURE TO REACH A DECISION. A NUMBER OF PERMREPS, PARTICULARLY KILLICK, REACTED NEGATIVELY TO THE PROPOSAL TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER AT THE DPC ON APRIL 22, STATING THAT THERE WAS NOT SUFFICIENT TIME FOR PREPARATORY DISCUSSION. PANSAL AGREED TO ASK LUNS TO CIRCULATE BOTH THE HAIG AND HILL-NORTON LETTERS TO THE PERMREPS AND IT WAS AGREED THAT PERMREPS WOULD HOLD AN INSTRUCTED DISCUSSION AT A LATER DATE.

5. RHODESIA. KILLICK INDICATED HE WOULD BRIEF THE COUNCIL ON APRIL 20 ON THE SITUATION
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IN RHODESIA (SEPTTEL NOTAL). HE ALSO SHARED A SENSITIVE REPORT OF A CONVERSATION IN CAIRO WITH MOHAMED RIYAD, THE EGYPTIAN MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DURING WHICH RIYAD DECRIED THAT HE DESCRIBED AS A LACK OF WESTERN SUPPORT TO MODERATE REGIMES IN AFRICA. RIYAD SAID THAT THE RUSSIANS WERE SEEKING A VIOLENT SOLUTION IN RHODESIA AND THAT THE US-UK SHOULD PUT PRESSURE ON SOUTH AFRICA TO GET RID OF IAN SMITH. NOTING THE LINK BETWEEN THE SOVIET POSITION IN MOZAMBIQUE AND ANGOLA, RIYAD SAID IT WAS CLEAR THAT THE CONFLICT IN ZAIRE WAS NOT THE RESULT OF AN INTERNAL UPRISING SINCE IT WAS BEING SUPPORTED FROM ZAIRE'S NEIGHBORING STATES. HE WAS CONCERNED THAT IF THE INCURSION IN ZAIRE WERE TO SUCCEED, ZAMBIA WOULD ALSO BE IN DANGER.

6. FOLLOW-UP TO SYG LUNS NATO AEW PROPOSAL. IN CONNECTION WITH SYG LUNS' RECENT PROPOSAL FOR FURTHER WORK ON NATO AEW, PANSA INDICATED THAT THE NATO AEW PROGRAM OFFICE (NAPO) HAD BEEN TASKED TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON A NATO AEW SYSTEM, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE CONTRIBUTION OF NIMROD, AS A BASIS FOR THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES TO MAKE JUDGMENTS ON A REVISED PROGRAM. PANSA SAID THAT NAPO IS EXPECTED TO PROVIDE AN INITIAL REPORT DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF MAY.

AS FOR THE DPC MINISTERIAL IN MAY, IT IS INTENDED THAT A STATUS REPORT WILL BE MADE TO MINISTERS INDICATING DEVELOPMENTS SINCE THEIR LAST MEETING, BUT NOT INCORPORATING ANY OF THE NEW INFORMATION PRODUCED BY NAPO OR THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES. PANSA SAID HE HOPED THAT ON THE BASIS OF THE WORK SET IN TRAIN ABOVE THAT THE DPC WOULD BE ABLE TO AGREE ON NEW PROPOSALS
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FOR NATO AEW WHICH COULD BE SUBMITTED TO GOVERNMENTS. THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE PERMREPS TO THIS COURSE OF ACTION, ALTHOUGH BOSS INSISTED THAT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY FOR THE DPC TO MANDATE ANY SPECIFIC REQUEST TO NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES.

7. SPAIN AND DENMARK. SVART (DENMARK) SAID THAT HIS FOREIGN MINISTER WOULD BE GOING TO SPAIN ON MAY 17-18 FOR AN OFFICIAL VISIT. HE SAID THAT THIS DID NOT IMPLY ANY DEROGATION FROM THE DANISH POSITION FAVORING COMPLETE DEMOCRATIZATION IN SPAIN BEFORE A FULL NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT

THE SITUATION HAD DEVELOPED TO THE POINT WHERE
THE DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER THOUGHT IT WOULD BE MORE
USEFUL TO GO THERE NOW THAN AFTER THE ELECTIONS.

8. EXERCISE SHPEX-77 AND DAWN PATROL.
PERMREPS DISCUSSED ATTENDANCE AT THE ANNUAL
EXERCISE AT SHAPE HQ. SCHEDULED FOR MAY 12-13.
NOTING THAT THE NATO LONDON MINISTERIAL ENDS ON
MAY 11, SEVERAL PERMREPS SAID THAT IT WOULD
NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR THEM TO ATTEND SHAPEX
ON MAY 12, BUT THAT THEY PLANNED TO DO SO ON
MAY 13. SOME PERMREPS ALSO NOTED THAT THEY HAD ALSO
BEEN INVITED BY CINCSOUTH TO ATTEND PART OF EXERCISE
DAWN PATROL ON MAY 12 AND 13, BUT HAD TO REGRET
BECAUSE IT CONFLICTED WITH THE LONDON MINISTERIAL
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